

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Engelhardt et al.

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For: NUCLEIC ACID SEQUENCING PROCESSES  
USING MODIFIED NUCLEOTIDES OR NUCLEO-  
TIDE ANALOGS, AND OTHER PROCESSES FOR  
NUCLEIC ACID DETECTION AND CHROMO-  
SOMAL CHARACTERIZATION USING SUCH  
MODIFIED NUCLEOTIDES OR NUCLEOTIDE  
ANALOGS (As Amended)

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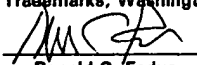
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Washington, D.C. 20231

**AMENDMENT UNDER 37 C.F.R. §1.115**  
**(IN RESPONSE TO THE NOVEMBER 23, 1999 OFFICE ACTION)**

Dear Sirs:

This response (Amendment Under 37 C.F.R. §1.115) is in response to the Office Action mailed on November 23, 1999 in connection with the above-identified application. This response is being accompanied by a Request For An Extension Of Time (Three Months) and authorization for the fee therefor. With the expected granting of Applicants' extension request, the new deadline for responding to the November 23, 1999 Office Action will be May 23, 2000. Accordingly, this response is being timely.

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